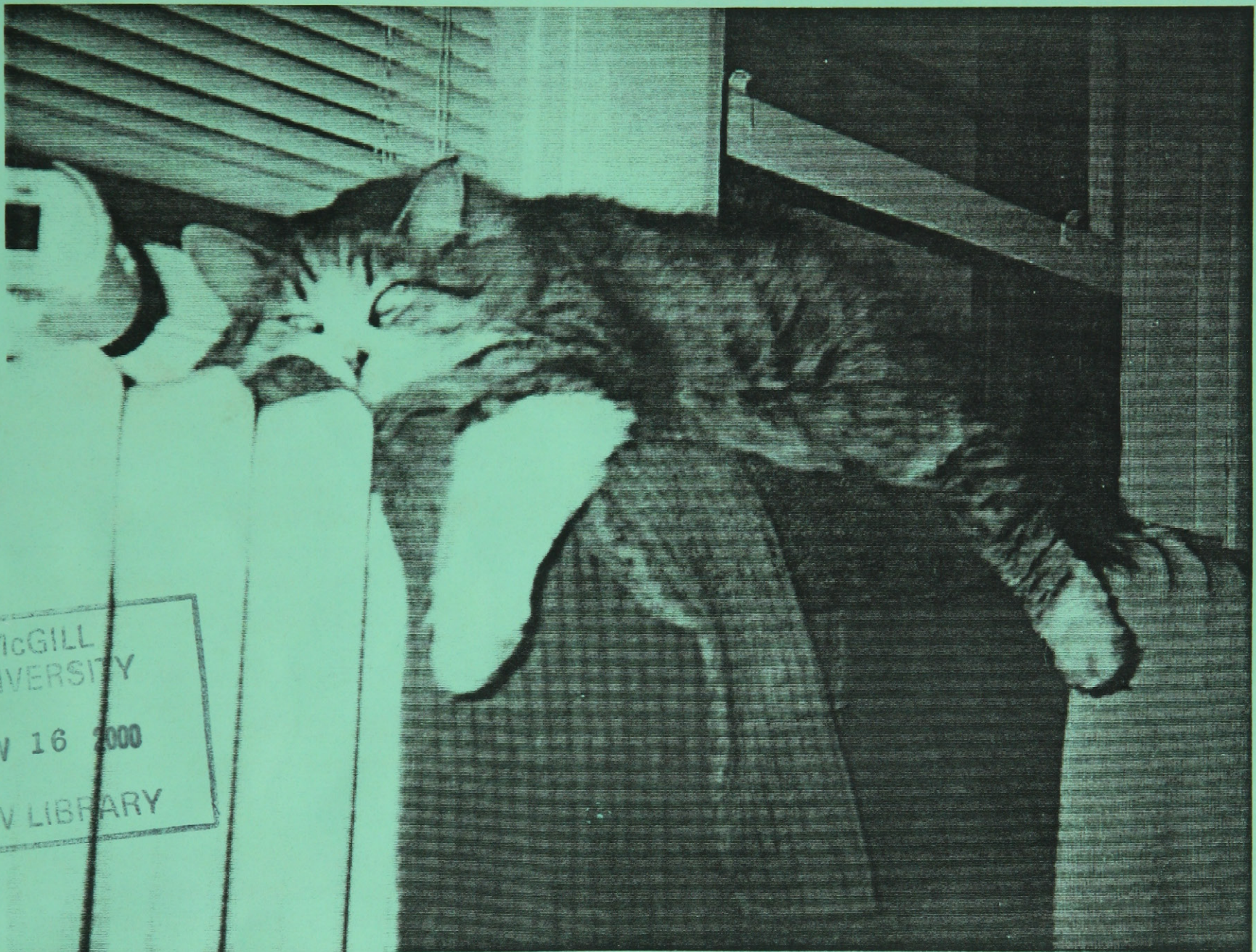
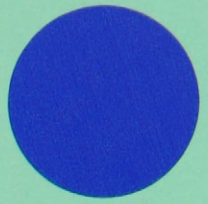


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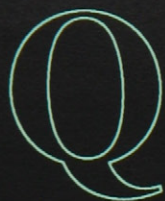
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Dear all,

First, I forgot to give credit for the photo on the front of last week's cover to my dear friend Chris McFarlane who lives in London. As a side note he is taking me to Hawii for Christmas and he is paying. And he is gay so I don't have to put out. Anyway the picture is of his shoe and my candle holder and wine glass. This week's cover is Becky's cat Flipsy or Fluffy or something like that. Not sure who took the photo.

Second, *soooooorrrrry Dean*, we all have to take our turns at varying places in the Quid pages. Besides it is 100% based on space. Write the perfect one page article and you will be rewarded. (please refer to page 3).

Third, next week we would like to hear about your favourite law movie. This theme inspired me when a law firm big wig told me to watch The Paper Chase. I haven't done so yet, but I will review it for next week.

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# Some People Just Don't Know When To Shut Up (And I'm Their Leader)

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Dean Taylor NAT IV

"Think On" -the MacLellan Family Motto (my Mom is a MacLellan, so shut it)

You probably know that I am a bit of a sports fan. Well, by extension, that makes me a fan of sportswriters, and books about sports too. (Read *Fever Pitch* by Nick Hornby, it will explain everything you ever needed to know about obsessing over sports. But that's another story altogether.) What this means, and I'm getting rather James Baileyesque in my writing because it takes a while to get to the point, (although if I could ever write as well as James I would quit law school right now) is that I am influenced by the people I read and enjoy. I enjoy the writing of Peter King on CNN. And so, in the spirit of Peter King, I am blatantly stealing his idea and presenting "Ten Things That I Think I Think"

1. I think that Neil Hazan hit it right on the head with his *Quid* article last week. There has been an alarming lack of participation at events this year, and one of the best things about McGill Law (the people) is being wasted. Come on out. Meet your peers. Enjoy your time here, because there are plenty of people in the Faculty that can tell you that when you get into the world, you aren't going to get many opportunities like the ones student life offers.

And Neil, here's the bad news: some of us remember lining up just to get *into* CoffeeHouse, let alone lining up for beer. And as spirited as the M & M's were last year, there are grizzled vets around that will claim no one had more spirit than the Tartan Army of two year's past.

2. I think Dan Gaudreault had a good point on Tuesday night (although I had been drinking, so maybe it only seemed like a good point) when he put part of the blame on New York. Yes, New York. You see, in past years, plenty of people got interviews with New York firms. The difference was, you often didn't know because they would come to school carrying their suit, put it on for the interview, and TAKE IT BACK OFF WHEN THE @#%\*&&!#\$%+\*@# INTERVIEW WAS OVER. No wonder everyone is freaked out about jobs, if everywhere you look you see suits. I am quite glad that my peers are getting good jobs, enhancing the reputation of this Faculty. I wish them all the success in the world. But what kind of impression do we make when two weeks into the year the Faculty looks like a Young Republicans convention? No wonder everyone in the first year is jammed into the library.

3. I think that not having a New York job looks better and better all the time, seeing as the Americans can't even figure out how to elect a president.

4. I think not having a New York job looks better and better all the time, because when they do figure out who is going to run the country to the south, they have to choose between "Dubya and Dr. No" or "Tipper Gore's Husband and New Haven Joe".

5. I think not having a New York job looks better and better all the time because I don't want to live anywhere they elected Hilary.

6. I think Heart Attack day will kill me. If you don't know what I'm talking about, your body will thank you later. Trust me.

7. I think no matter what happens in the election down south, this has been such great theatre that I think Canada should hold an election too. What? We are? Hasn't it only been three years...oh, never mind.

8. I think that as a lifelong Raider fan, I will reserve judgment on how great they are until they qualify for the playoffs. Some of us remember starting 8-1 and finishing 8-8 and missing the playoffs. So this time, no celebrating 'til the Silver and Black are really back. 8 a) I hear you all saying "lifelong Raider fan? Right." but it's true. I remember Stabler and Matuzak and Alzado and Hendricks ("the Mad Stork") and the time Jack Tatum paralyzed Daryl Stingley. Okay, that was not a good thing. Although at seven years old, it seemed very cool.

9. I think Billy Elliot is an exceptional movie. And I have had a piece from Swan Lake in my head intermittently for a week because of it. And now, I'm having ballet conversations, which I don't think I've ever done before, and I'm enjoying them too.

10. I think this article should be closer to the front of the Quid.

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# Ask Dr. Panzonfiah

Dr. J.R. Panzonfiah

Dear Doctor Onfiah,

*A friend of mine has asked me to participate in the auction to raise \$ for those going to Law Games as a date to be auctioned off. Besides the degradation of being auctioned off, which of course is justified by the good cause, I have more pressing issues. I'm not sure what is worse, having nobody make a bid for me, having only a really low bid made for me, or having a very scary person win the bid for me. What do I do?*

*Signed, "What am I worth & who will buy?"*

Dear Waiw & Wwb,

Hey, life's short - you should experience all it has to offer. But be aware of the possibility that your actions and your destiny will be completely removed from your control once you agree to stand on the bidding-podium like so much cattle at an Calcutta-market auction.

People have a tendency to react in one of two ways when being auctioned off. They either become exceedingly shy by virtue of the overwhelming sensation that their body is composed entirely of meat *and* that they will not be sold for more than 2 bits, if at all. Alternatively, they lose all inhibition, liberated by the chance to be put high on the pedestal of lust and longing, eager to please the adoring masses of the opposite or same sex by shaking what their momma gave them.

Should you decide to go through with the auction and have the good fortune to be bought, please keep a few things in mind: while you may view the commitment to be sold as nothing more than good-natured fun for charity, your potential suitor may see it as the chance he/she/it has been waiting for since first setting eyes on you in Ks with Baker.

Also, if during the date you find yourself getting on a plane, make sure you are aware of the destination before take-off. The Opera in northern Cali (Edward Lewis style) is good. The Sultan of Brunei's harem is not so good.

Dear Dr. P.,

*My girlfriend and I have a great relationship - there's just one problem: we started having sex about 2 months ago and, well, our lovemaking normally doesn't last very long. More to the point, I have trouble lasting very long. I've tried distracting myself by thinking about other things but it ain't working. I really like this girl. Please, PLEASE help!*

— Name withheld

Dear Speedy,

I'm sorry, you will never be able to satisfy a woman. Naah! Just kidding.

Yes, we've all heard about men trying to distract themselves by focusing on baseball stats while in the throes, but this approach rarely works. Premature ejaculation comes (sorry) from a lack of awareness, not too much. In fact, sex therapists prefer the term "lack of ejaculatory control" over "premature ejaculation."

Most men have inadvertently trained themselves to ejaculate too early. It's not easy for teenage boys to satisfy their urges at home where privacy is at a premium - this usually results in very rapid bouts for fear of being walked in on (see *Fast Times at Ridgemont High*). Alternatively, a lack of "self-love" can result in a man's inability to know and train himself to stave-off ejaculation. If this is your problem, it's never too late to start!

Men have something known as the "point of imminence." This is the couple of seconds before a man ejaculates when he knows he will climax even if a truck suddenly comes crashing through the wall.

The trick is to become more aware of when you are getting close to this point; practice slowing down, stopping, or doing something different. Try it first with yourself, then transfer your new skill over to sex with your partner. And remember what Woody Allen says about masturbation: "It's sex with someone I love!"

Please send your questions to [drpanzonfiah@hotmail.com](mailto:drpanzonfiah@hotmail.com). The doctor is always in.

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# In Support of a Global Labour Market For Lawyers or Why I Came to McGill

Sébastien Le Coeur BCL III

Hi Marc Edmunds! Here is a travel story by an international student. It is not exactly a traditional travel story but rather the story of my journey to McGill and my European feeling on the ABA debate. By the way, I'm writing in English for the sake of the other international students who don't speak French.

When I read Joe Mik's article in the *Quid* two weeks ago, I thought he was right in advocating larger jurisdictional reach for McGill graduates and, if I understand him correctly, wrong in implying that McGill graduates can practice only where they can take the bar exams.

delicious flirting in Spain and dreadful exile in the cold, industrial Germany.

In other words totally incompatible with serious studying and the quasi certitude to be sarcastically turned down at the end of the fourth year when comes the time to apply for admission in fifth year. And the fifth year is the difference between a good job and a bad job.

During the Fall of that third year we had enormous demonstrations in France against what was partly perceived as the consequences of globalisation, we had no class for about a month, many public

**"Ha Ha, you fool, labour law is the most national type of law ever created by the working class."**

I came to McGill to get the skills to practice law anywhere in the world, and I'm getting exactly what I've dreamed of for years. I've been studying or practising law for 7 years and I've witnessed the law become multinational. In my first year at the University of Nantes, we were told that the law was the most national stuff ever. In my second year we were taught that our sacred Republican Constitution was still at the top and that any international norm had to be consistent with it if it was to have legal force: according to French legal theory, any international treaty is implemented through an ordinary statute which must be consistent with the Constitution. So why the Hell was the Constitution modified to fit the new European treaty? In third year, it was time to decide whether or not to go on exchange abroad the following year. Believe it or not, being an exchange student was akin for the vast majority (including myself) to jolly drinking in the English pubs,

debates on the futures of the unemployed, much car burning too. The second term, we welcomed for the first time exchange students from Ottawa and were given the opportunity to go to the University of Ottawa the following year. Before January 1996, my knowledge of Canada was limited to maple syrup and referendum, but the instant I met this beautiful Canadian girl my life was turned up side down.

During part of my fourth year I was in Ottawa and, specialising in Labour and Social Security law, encountered fierce incomprehension among my "camarades": "Ha Ha, you fool, labour law is the most national type of law ever created by the working class. Those Americans don't have labour law, they don't even have health care". I discovered quite the contrary, spent my time at the library

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wonderfully full of books (as one of my professors back in Nantes put it, when you see those Canadian law libraries you just want to sit down in a Bar, get drunk and forget), enjoyed comparative law, the people and everything in general.

Back to France, this darn fifth year was such a waste of time that I skipped the last months to join a super cool French Firm in Paris. This was an amazing experience. However, I was still thinking of Canada and felt that something was missing in my education and my life. I knew McGill was the answer: I wanted to study and live in English; it had an international reputation and I wanted to travel; the program was both common law and civil law and I wanted to see by myself what was this famous difference everybody was talking about without having any clue; it was a North American Law School and I wanted something exotic. My

you don't mind not going to court. I know directly or indirectly four members of the Quebec Bar who were recruited in Paris: one from Ottawa, one from McGill, one from Laval and one from U of M. There are many others sent by their firms to Paris. Take for instance Shearman and Sterling, it's full of McGill graduates. McGill graduates should not limit themselves to North America, they can go to Europe. Living and practising in Paris or London is as exciting as in the US. Just imagine watching the sunrise on Notre-Dame when crossing the Pont de L'Alma from the rive gauche to your office. For those who take the Quebec Bar exams, you don't even have to do your stage in Quebec, provided there is a member of the Quebec Bar in your firm abroad. Moreover, finding a job is much more flexible than here. It usually takes one month from the moment you apply, plus two or three

**To wrap up, Joe is right.**

**But Joe is also wrong.**

senior partner wrote me a very nice reference letter and I jumped to the ceiling when I was ultimately admitted. I will graduate from the National Program at the end of this year, and I'm convinced that it would actually be better renamed "International Program". The knowledge of both traditions makes us able to practice virtually anywhere. I'm going back to Europe because something is going on there and I want to be part of it. Things have been changing very quickly for the past two years in Paris. Americans, Canadians, Germans and others have been doing more and more business; there is a pressing need for bilingual and bicultural lawyers. I worked last summer in Paris and most of the job needed to be done in English, most of the potential growth resides in anglophone clientele. The firms in Paris just cannot find the people they need in France, so they are beginning to search elsewhere. They don't care if you cannot take the bar exams provided you understand the civil law, speak French and English and are a bar member somewhere. You don't need to get your license in the jurisdiction if

months for the immigration paper work.

To wrap up, Joe is right. McGill deserves an international reach because its program is truly unique in the world. It would be wonderful if we could get a licence in a larger number of jurisdictions. It should be this way for anybody possessing sufficient knowledge of the local law because the law is no longer exclusively national and the international labour market should be as fluid for lawyers as it is for other highly skilled workers. The ABA accreditation would make McGill even more unique, it would be the only law degree to open the market on a continental scale and give its graduates the chance to start their careers where they want. But Joe is also wrong. Lawyers, especially Canadians, can already practice in multiple jurisdictions, they just have to start where they can take the bar exams.

P.S.: if you have questions about working in Paris, you can e-mail me at [coourseb@hotmail.com](mailto:coourseb@hotmail.com) (this is your chance Jeff from Maine (New Hampshire?) who I talked to at Thompson House in September).



## International Humanitarian Law Pleading Competition

Hi, I'm in charge of an international humanitarian law pleading competition and I thought you might be interested in disseminating this information to your readers. The "Jean-Pictet Competition" was first held in 1989. Based on role-playing and simulation, its goals are to disseminate international humanitarian law among university students. It is an international competition, with teams coming from all over the world. A French-speaking session will be held in France from 10 to 18 Feb 2001. An English-speaking session will be held in Cleveland, USA from 7 to 15 April 2001. The final session, opposing the best teams from the previous sessions, will be held in Geneva on the 12th of August 2001. Candidacy file and other info can be found on :

<http://www.concourspictet.org>

Deadline for candidacies is DECEMBER 15.

**Next Week:  
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Favourite  
Law Movie  
Is?**

**Deadline  
Friday  
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## why law school?

### Nadim Houry Law II

Why law school? Most of us answered this question when applying to law school. Once in law school, few of us seem to care why we are here. Maybe I should not be projecting my insecurities (there are way too many insecurities in law school already), but I have come to be confused about the function of law school.

I came to law school expecting to be intellectually challenged. Sure I wanted to learn the law and to acquire the skills of a lawyer (whatever those are), but I mostly wanted to be provoked. This has not happened. Most of my classes are not very challenging, and if they are, it is because of the volume of the material and not its content. Professors are content to present the 'law' to us and rarely question it. It seems that law school is not about generating ideas but about processing concepts. Like machines, we read, summarize, write, read, summarize, write...

Professors are not the only ones to blame. Students seem too busy to care. Classes are chosen on the basis of their average GPA, professors on their generosity in marking. If you ask a question in class, you are wasting someone else's time. After all, we still need to read, summarize, write...

Sure, I am over-generalizing. Professors do care, at least when they write their papers. As for students, yes, they are diverse. And yet, I can't help but feel that law school has become a job factory (I heard it is the best investment in town). Maybe it is not such a bad thing. It is a professional school after all. But if it is the case, I can't help but agree with BB King that the "thrill is gone".

I don't expect people to agree with me on what law school should be about. To be honest, I am not sure I know what I want law school to be. And yes, I might have a romanticized notion of law school (and maybe slightly elitist)...a place where ideas are generated not simply processed (sooo cliché). Romanticizing is not my goal. I am too cynical for that. I have a much more selfish aim: I want to enjoy my time here. Reading, summarizing, writing is just not doing it for me these days.



# Law Games Coffee Haus Auction

*AHEM! May I have your attention please? ... Ladies and Gentlemen, Boys and Girls, Children of all ages... This coming Thursday afternoon at Coffee Haus, you will be treated to something special – we are having our very own auction! So, come one, come all, and buy any of the following: Service, Date, or Duty. The participants have all generously donated either themselves or their services in an effort to raise money for Law Games, so please be gracious enough to come out and fork over some dough for their efforts. All the participants have written small blurbs elsewhere in this week's Quid so that you can get a better idea of what is being offered. Well that, and to get your anticipation rising.*

*This auction is a wonderful opportunity for you to not only help out your fellow law students by contributing money to make Calgary an even more memorable experience, but also to build on the camaraderie that really does exist in this fantastic faculty of ours. You get the opportunity to build on the relationships with some of your Prof.'s, you get to socialise with your peers, and you get to watch people run around on stage in an effort to get you to buy them or their services.*

*To allay any concerns before they may arise, it has been brought to our attention that there have been some difficulties with auctions in the past. We would like to let everyone know in advance that this auction will be very much in good fun, and that it will be a **CLEAN** auction, NOT a meat-market, and that the intention is to avoid degradation at all costs. As you will notice in the list of participants, many of the possible items on auction are in fact services, not dates. We would like to keep this as much of a "family affair" as possible, and so would like to ask all involved ("auctioned persons" and possible buyers) to keep that in mind at all times. While everyone is encouraged to participate enthusiastically in the effort to raise money for Law Games, we ask all involved to refrain from using cheap tricks (read: blatantly offensive and gratuitous sexuality on stage) to either drive up the price or whip up a frenzy, and the abetting of that sort of behaviour is discouraged. We wish to emphasise again that this is to be a **CLEAN** show, at all costs. All involved will carry themselves in a manner that is respectful both to themselves and to one another.*

*That being said, the atmosphere is gonna be crazy, and it is gonna be one helluva show and LOTS of fun – if for no other reason than you get to watch Prof.'s parade around on stage as they attempt to entice you to buy their wares... And besides, there is really cheap beer there (for those that partake – and pop for those that don't).*

## **Marc Edmunds:**

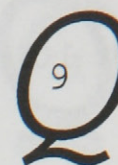
**Year:** Law II

**Type of Auction:** Date/Duty Auction (I can either take you out for dinner & drinks, or I can teach you how to yell at the top of your lungs for four days straight – something that may well come in handy in Calgary)

You should buy me because I'm hosting this damn event, and if you don't buy me it will be really, really embarrassing! Also, I'm loud, crazy, and one way or the other, you're sure to have a memorable time.



# 2001 Auction Participants



## Jean-François Gaudreault Desbiens:

**Function:** Professor

**Type of Auction:** Have a drink

You should buy my services because I'm a young energetic constitutional law professor well known for his ability to pull out his own hair while standing on one foot. You should see me when I've had a beer!

## Anne-Marie Labarre and Steve Park:

**Function:** Communications Officer and Law

Management Information Centre Director

**Type of auction:** Duty (make a web site) and have a drink with Anne-Marie

You, your club, association, or group is in need of promotion? We will invest 2 hours of our time in building you a web page hosted by the McGill law web site. Vous devriez nous acheter car nous offrons un service professionnel et personnalisé et parce que nous sommes les deux seuls représentants du personnel de la Faculté qui osent participer à l'encan!

## Jean-Guy Belley:

**Function:** Professor

**Type of Auction:** Have a drink

You should buy my services (socio-legal contractor).

## David Lametti:

**Function:** Professor

**Type of Auction:** Have a drink

You should buy me because you might just ask me a "good" question! I promise not to talk about theory.

## Eric Gilman:

**Year:** BCL III

**Type of Auction:** Date Auction

You should buy me if you are looking for that magical elusive spark in your life. After a delicious dinner (from fondue to sushi), we will share a few moments bowling (you know you want to), then you will have your own souvenir of our time together with a heart-warming scented candle to keep the spark alive.

## Nicholas Whalen

**Year:** LLB III

**Type of Auction:** Dinner, Drinks, & whatever (for women or men)

Law school involves a certain amount of stress that everyone needs to alleviate. Over the past three years I've learned that good food, drink, and conversation provide the best relief. Buy me in the auction for a night of fine dining at

Bazou, Fondamental or similar intimate restaurant followed by drinks, dancing, or whatever. Si vous voulez, je parlerais en français – ça serait drôle!

## Gregoire Webber:

**Year:** Law II

**Type of Auction:** Duty Auction

As some of you know, I workout. Although many believe that my biceps are my largest muscle, I promise to show you my true largest muscle. Our time together will comprise of musculation, flexibility, and end with intense cardiovascular training.

## Jeff Feiner:

**Year:** Law I

**Type of Auction:** Date Auction

You should buy my services because not only am I attractive, funny, and lacking in most offensive odours but I can do a mean Irish jig. On a date with me you get to pick what I wear and where we go (though I have a pretty good repertoire of restaurants). As a bonus, I may teach you a few words in Polish.

## Anne Goossen:

**Year:** Exchange

**Type of Auction:** Date Auction

You should buy me because I can teach you some dirty Dutch!

## Kristina Heese:

**Year:** Law I

**Type of Auction:** Date Auction

You should buy me because you will be able to first experience a scrumptious meal as I wine and dine you at my place, and then enjoy an intense evening of fun and dancing on the town. And who knows, we also might be able to crack open my new bottle of massage oil...

## Catherine Bleau:

**Year:** Law I

**Type of Auction:** Service/Date/Duty Auction

You should buy me because I kick ass.

## Anne de Ravinel, Stephanie Rainville, Sophie Lamonde, Lia Ruccolo, Johanne Chambers:

**Year:** Nat IV

**Type of Auction:** Group Date/Duty Auction (max. 5)

You should buy us because we will cook you a lovely meal, after which you will get to enjoy it our fine company.

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## Tony Hoffmann:

**Year:** LLB III

**Type of Auction:** Date auction (squash lesson at the MAA followed by dinner & drinks)

Do you play golf? If not, then you better play squash, coz every lawyer has to do one or the other. So come pick up a few tips followed by dinner and drinks at the bar.

## Antoine Motulsky-F:

**Year:** BCL III

**Type of Auction:** Date Auction

You should buy me because I am very musically inclined and will provide music and ambience, my two areas of expertise. We will have an exquisite night and I may even serenade you.

## Paul West & Aref Amanat:

**Year:** Law I

**Type of Auction:** Date Auction (dinner for two lovely ladies)

You should buy us because we are two timid, insecure males who've fallen on hard times and are looking for two caring, understanding companions to "wise us up" over dinner.

## Wojtek Baraniak:

**Year:** Undergrad IV (?)

**Type of Auction:** Date Auction

You should buy me because I am the SSMU president, and thus the highest-ranking student on campus, and being seen with me can only do wonders for your on-campus standing.

## Pierre-Etienne Simard:

**Year:** BCL III

**Type of Auction:** Duty Auction (being brought to a hockey game, food and alcohol included)

You should buy me because I have a "Top-Ten List" of reasons for you:

10. If you're looking for a job, I have contacts in all the firms.
9. 12 inches. I swear.
8. David Hasselhof is my father.
7. My friends are prettier than me... Want to meet them?
6. Who do you think invented the "Dewey Decimal System"?
5. I'm the Charlie of "Charlie's Angels". You're not surprised... Are you?
4. Richard ain't no survivor! I survived the LSA.
3. When I finished the Rubik's cube, I didn't peel the stickers off.
2. I get my hair cut at the "Salon du Caniche"!
1. I'm inviting you to a hockey game on November 21<sup>st</sup> & I'm offering you free food & beverages. Try to resist that offer. I hope you won't!

## Anne-Valerie Paquet:

**Year:** Nat IV

**Type of Auction:** Date/Duty Auction (2 for 1! – duty consists of organising the Coffee Haus of your choice.)

You should buy me because I am offering you a Coffee Haus! You are gonna choose the theme, which could be somebody's history. For example, we would have an Allen Mendelsohn's Coffee Haus, relating his life, showing some pictures of him when he was in high school (a long, long time ago!) etc... You, and only you, are gonna get free beer during this Coffee Haus, and I'm gonna go out with you for a beer to a very cool place to discuss it. And since dancing is my favourite thing in the world, I could show you a step or two if you're willing to move at the end of the evening... Et on plus de tout cela, des billets pour le musee d'art contemporain vas attendre si vos pas de danse reussissent a m'impressionner! Une offre incontournable...

## Jodi Ettenberg:

**Year:** BCL III

**Type of Auction:** Duty Auction (Shiatsu massage)

You should buy because you'll never be that relaxed again.

## Shirin Foroutan:

**Year:** Law II

**Type of Auction:** Service/Date/Duty Auction

You should buy me because after a fabulous day at the spa we'll shop 'til we drop. I'll show you the best finds in the city, and after a full day I'll introduce you to the most talented bartenders in Montreal! But wait! The day isn't over yet! At the end of it all, I'll even let you take me out to dinner.

## TJ Schmaltz:

**Year:** Law II

**Type of Auction:** Service Auction

You should buy me because everyone should have a man-slave from time to time. I will provide you with an hour or two of high class cleaning services. Though I won't do the bathrooms, I do have a talent for vacuuming and dusting. Of course I'll make sure I'm sporting my tux!

## Allen Mendelsohn:

**Year:** Nat IV

**Type of Auction:** Date Auction

You should buy me because if, as they say, power is the ultimate aphrodisiac, going on a date with the LSA President should be something to remember. I promise a memorable evening, from dinner to drinks to dancing to...

## Marianne St.Pierre-Plamondon:

**Year:** Law II

**Type of Auction:** Service Auction

You should buy my services because I am the VP Athletics, and if you don't I will whip you into shape!





Damn, what a fine looking cat! I must admit that, technically speaking, he's not really mine. And, technically speaking, he's not really a cat but more of a dog-trapped-in-a-cat's body which leads to an interesting dilemma. I think you can separate people into two categories: those who drink beer and own dogs vs. those who smoke pot and own cats. So, if I own a dog parading around as a cat does that mean that I'm really a beer-drinker who's just passing myself off as a chronic. Man, I'm so confused. Maybe I should just take up crack and all of my problems will be solved (or not).

Becky.

PS - My cat's name is Finny. Not Fluffy or Flopsy or Flipsy or anything else Ms. Hurl may come up with because she thinks she's some kind of *bona fide* comedian just because she performs stand-up in her spare time. Besides, her credibility is very questionable given that she will soon be seen using a laptop to take her class notes.



# Bridget Jones Goes to Law School\*

Veronica Henderson and Nicole Lachance LLB III

7 November 2000

Dorval Airport, Immigration Office

*132 lbs. (approximation, as no scale in airport), alcohol units ? (gratuitous service on transatlantic flight), passports in own possession 0. Where is passport? Number of times asked self question re: whereabouts of passport 137 (reasonable, as am not in possession of said passport).*

9:00 p.m.

Followed immigration officer into dingy grey interrogation room against own wishes. Apparently passport's whereabouts unknown and McGill University student card unsatisfactory identification, likely owing to unusually uncooperative hair on photo day.

9:15 p.m.

Passport not in talcum powder box, nor in shoe or blouse.

10:00 p.m.

Beginning to panic. Passport not found in *Agent Provocateur* lingerie bag (which by the way forgot to claim at customs – oops).

10:15 p.m.

Have just had brilliant idea. Will remain poised and centred and call bosom friend Hermia, whose chi is unfailingly aligned due to pre- and post-karate meditation, who will surely attest to own Canadian citizenship.

8 November 2000

1:00 a.m.

Doooooooooom! Have just got off phone with Hermia. Chi apparently drastically misaligned due to bold foray outside world of solicitous celibacy. Transcript of phonecall is as follows:

Hermia: Hello, dating war command.

Self (feigning calm): Hermia – it's me. Am just back from romantic mini-break with dashing top barrister bf/pen pal. But listen, there's a bit of a problem.

Hermia (completely ignoring slight yet well-masked urgency in own voice): Good work, Bridge. Just got back from date or non-date with cute non-engineer. And when I say cute I mean on bloody fire!

Self (mild impatience now): Um, right, so I have no passport. Do you suppose you could just get my birth certificate out of my top desk drawer...

Hermia: But I mean I can't figure it out. He came and picked me up at home, so that's a date, right?

Self (However did this woman score herself top job on Bay Street?): Um, sure, I don't know but my passport seems to be missing and I'm being held in custody until...no! I already told you that's not where you'll find it.....

Hermia: So, Bridge, he did pay for tea, though.

Self (unleashed hysteria): Oh my bloody God and f\*ck! Please come and get me...I said, that's not mine and I don't know how it got there!....

Hermia: Got to go. He might call.

1:32 am

Must be optimistic about situation as elucidated in *The Adversity Quotient: Turning Obstacles into Opportunities*.

## Potential Benefits of Being Trapped in Airport

1. Possible negotiation with Academic Dean to receive Immigration Law course credits on basis of experience of being trapped in airport
2. Immense weight loss potential: Can no longer snack on lovely Marks&Spencer's shortbreads in the smart plaid box as confiscated by Airport Staff
3. ...
4. Will just call Lillian for immediate rescue.

\* With apologies to Helen Fielding

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November 14, 2000



# Referendums, California-Style

Joe Mik Law II

Populism, the sentiment that government should defend vulnerable individuals against the powerful and wealthy, runs like current through political discourse in California. "As a political force, populism grew out of a farmer's protest movement in the 1890s" [*The Harper Collins Dictionary of American Government & Politics*].

Traditional populism combined Left-wing economic policy with Right-wing social policy. Farmers sought government subsidies even as they espoused religious fundamentalism. Today, populism is secular in tone. Populists share a mistrust of aggregations of power, no matter how benevolent, as their core principle. Populists believe that freedom depends on constraining government and corporate power. Populists discourage state intervention in the economy save where it offsets corporate influence. "Populism addresses the problem that too few people have too much money and power... It doesn't seek a liberal solution, to give welfare to the farmer who's been forced off his land, or a conservative solution, which is to say 'I got mine, so long sucker'. The idea is to put the tools of self-help in people's hand, to free up enterprise so that prosperity doesn't trickle down, it percolates up." [Hightower, J. *The Washington Post*, May 10, 1986]. To this end, populists favor a high degree of public involvement in the democratic process. Californians elect most of their police chiefs and all of their State judges, even those who sit on the Supreme Court of California. Ballot-initiatives and referendums arose to enable the public to impose its will upon a legislature that responds poorly to its needs.

Constitution of California mandates that the legislature seek a referendum to borrow on the taxpayers' credit. Every time the state government undertakes some capital project, it must submit the measure for the voters' approval. Both initiatives and referendums bind the legislature and cannot be undone by ordinary legislative means. Only another initiative or a conflict with the US Constitution can overcome the voters' will. Incidentally, Article I of the US Constitution, which forbids Congress from delegating its powers, prevents the creation of a national ballot initiative or a binding referendum [*The Harper Collins Dictionary of American Government & Politics*].

Prop. 13 (1978), the "Tax Limitation Initiative," capped property taxes at 1973 levels. They remain at this level to this day. The middle class rebelled against the spiraling cost of government services. Prop. 13 heralded a nationwide grassroots movement, known as the "tax revolt," that would sweep California Governor Ronald Reagan to the Presidency two years later. "The tax revolt, it is important was not over the unfairness or uneven distribution of the tax burden but over the levels of taxation, especially on real estate, which were increasing dramatically in a period of double-digit inflation" [*The Harper Collins Dictionary of American Government & Politics*]. Since public schools draw their revenues primarily from local property taxes, Prop. 13 severely constrained their resources. Local funding remains stagnant, even as costs have risen with inflation. From the 1970s to the 1990s, California primary and secondary schools plunged from 1<sup>st</sup> to 49<sup>th</sup> in the nation. In order to raise money

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A ballot initiative is a procedure that enables citizens, rather than legislators, to propose amendments to the constitution of California. Once 5% of voters sign a petition, the electoral commission must submit it to voters on the ballot at the next general election. Roughly half of the states provide for ballot initiatives. These are concentrated in the South and West, where populist feelings run deep. Initiatives enable the grassroots to curb the powers of government. Referendums do the opposite. Legislatures submit measures to a referendum in the hopes of receiving a popular mandate on some controversial issue. Almost all state constitutions require a referendum to approve an amendment. The

for schools, the legislature must propose ever-larger and ever more frequent bond measures to voters, who can naturally reject them at their whimsy.

Prop. 6 (1996), the "Save the Horses" initiative, banned the sale of horseflesh for human consumption. Contrary to supposition, horsemeat has never figured prominently in California cuisine. At the time of the ballot-initiative, no butchery offered horsemeat in California. Only a few do in the United States. They export exclusively to the Far East. Despite these facts, concern was such that voters passed the

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initiative. More intriguing still, 1/3 voted against the initiative in the hopes of “keeping horseflesh safe and legal” in California. Similarly, Prop. 197 (1996) asked voters to remove mountain lions from the State’s Endangered Species List. During the election campaign, a beast fed on some hikers in the Santa Monica Mountains, east of Los Angeles. One can only hope they were environmentalists. To enable the lions to further clean up the State, voters maintained their special status.

Prop. 22 (2000), the “Limit on Marriage Initiative,” restricted the definition of marriage to “a union between a man and a woman.” This effectively bars the legislature from enacting or State courts from legalizing same-sex marriage. This proposition arose in reaction to events in Hawaii and Vermont. The Supreme Courts of those states mandated that the local legislatures sanction “civil unions” between homosexual couples. Gay Rights advocates claim to represent 10% of the population. Privacy considerations and people’s natural reticence to disclose proclivities still subject to stigma prevent us from knowing for sure. This is true even in California, where homosexuals enjoy a high degree of toleration in mainstream society. We do know, however, that 20% of Californians describe themselves as “religious conservatives.” They want policy to conform to religious stricture. Often labeled the “Christian Coalition,” this group

dollars over the years to persons who did not even have the legal right to live within its borders. Many in the Hispanic community felt that this proposition targeted them, because most illegal immigrants who come to California arrive from Mexico. Prop. 63 (1986), which had declared English the official language of California. As a result of Prop. 63, all public services must be delivered in English only. This has created considerable difficulties for 25% of Californians who speak Spanish as their native tongue. In 1998, Prop. 227 abolished bilingual education. This forced public educators to adopt an immersion approach in the hopes of rapidly integrating the burgeoning Hispanic population into Anglophone society.

Prop. 209 (1996), the “California Civil Rights Initiative,” abolished the use of affirmative action in university admissions, and state hiring and contracting. Like most major political issues, Affirmative Action conjoined values and financial interest. Two philosophical issues were at stake. (1) Is it fair to deprive or grant someone opportunity nearly on account of their race? (2) Does the State have the obligation to rectify past injustice by redistributing current wealth? Ending Affirmative Action bore two practical consequences. First, university admissions determine access to the economy’s most lucrative jobs. The composition of California’s Silicon Valley turned on the outcome. Second,

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does not restrict itself to Christians alone but represents Orthodox elements in every faith. Religious conservatives, who wield political influence disproportionate to their numbers, threw their considerable financial clout behind the initiative. Given the relative size of the constituencies, the outcome proved inevitable. Turnout determines elections. Surprisingly, 2/3 of Californians also voted “yes” on Prop. 22. This suggests that, even in socially liberal states, citizens distinguish between toleration and integration.

Prop. 187 (1996) stripped illegal immigrants of public benefits, including medical care and schooling. In addition, it required that teachers report the children of suspected illegal immigrants. The US Constitution imposes the responsibility for immigration on the federal government. Presumably, the federal government must also pay for the services they require. The State of California lost billions of

since Affirmative Action’s inception in the late 1960s, billions of dollars of contracting spawned an entrepreneurial class in the minority communities. Many risked bankruptcy once Prop. 209 cut them off from preferential government contracts. Prop. 209 pitted Whites and Asian-Americans against the African and Hispanic-American communities. The latter benefited from Affirmative Action. The former perceived themselves as victims of racist quotas. Prop. 209 infuriated minorities because it used the language of Civil Rights to achieve an end that many of that movement’s participants opposed. Opponents of Affirmative Action took advantage of widespread ill-will towards the Black community in the wake of the L.A. riots and O.J. Simpson’s acquittal to pass an agenda that would have been unpalatable to voters only a few years earlier. When I was a student at Berkeley, large rallies shut down the university over this issue. Some chained the doors of the administration



buildings. Others marched in the streets. The Reverend Jesse Jackson preached in apocalyptic tones to crowds over 5,000 protesters. Nevertheless, Prop. 209 passed overwhelmingly.

Prop. 215 (1996) legalized marijuana for medicinal purposes. Doctors could prescribe it for four conditions, which included glaucoma and AIDS. Local police split on the issue. Some felt that Prop. 215 would lead to the decriminalization of narcotics. Others argued that petty drug offenses absorbed resources better expended addressing violent crime. The passage of Proposition 215 created a conflict of law. The federal government refused to honor the outcome. It continues to enforce federal drug laws under its interstate commerce power. The FBI and DEA regularly shut down the "cannabis clubs" that have proliferated in San Francisco since the election. Many doctors refuse to prescribe marijuana for fear of federal prosecution. At the same time, failing to do so may expose them to civil liability under State malpractice law.

Prop. 184 (1994), the "three-strikes initiative," imposed a mandatory minimum life sentence without possibility of parole for offenders who committed three felonies. The ballot initiative earned widespread public support after the disappearance of 12-year-old Polly Klaus. Media coverage gave the search international exposure. Days later, police discovered her naked body buried in a ditch. The suspect, Richard Allen Davis, had "a rap sheet a mile long." He had been in and out of prison since puberty. Liberal judges hoped to reintegrate him into the community. The community loathed him as an incorrigible psychopath. Today, he awaits execution. The Polly Klaus case fostered the perception that judges subordinated public safety to criminals' interest. The Richard Allen Davis experience seemed to prove that a "revolving-door justice system" was "soft on crime." Imposing a mandatory minimum sentence eliminated judges' discretion. It also tripled the rate of incarceration. Prisons rapidly overflowed with non-violent drug offenders. The burden of incarceration fell disproportionately on minorities, who suffer over-representation in the justice system. Thanks in part to Prop. 184, half of African-American men will spend some time in jail over the course of their lives. And an African-American male born in California today is more likely to serve a life sentence in prison than attend the state's universities. When I was working for the Alameda County Court in Northern California, I interviewed a prisoner arrested for 7 felonies. He had reached his 18<sup>th</sup> birthday only 3 days before and now faced the prospect of spending the rest of his life in prison. The multiplication of prisoners forced a prison construction boom upon the state. It also transformed the correctional officers' union into the single most powerful lobby in California politics.

Plainly, the ballot initiative process reflects the public's noblest values and darkest prejudices. Not surprisingly, the kind of politician who prefers to resolve matters in smoke-

filled backrooms opposes the ballot initiative system. Some feel that representative rather than direct democracy better serves the public interest. Whatever you may think of its consequences, the ballot initiative process confers an extraordinary degree of political autonomy upon the common man.

On a personal note, some of you ask where I find the time to write these long articles. The answer is simple. I always write from first-hand experience. This speeds writing and minimizes research time. Why do I write? I believe that producing an article a week gives me practice for exams. It helps me structure arguments and define my stance on issues. But beyond that, I enjoy the process for its own sake and am flattered when readers, whether they share my views or not, express interest in my work. I would like to conclude by thanking the staff of *Quid Novi* without whose exertions, my efforts would be for naught.

## Tony Hoffman's cures for boredom

[www.armytank.com](http://www.armytank.com)

- Ever wanted to destroy a stuffed animal?

<http://www.mainstrike.com/mstservices/handy/insult.html>

- How to swear in Olde English.

<http://www.aniflash.com/whackbritney.html>

- If you can't stand one more reference to Britney Spears...

[www.airtoons.com](http://www.airtoons.com)

- What the Airlines are Really Saying...

[www.ihatestarwars.com](http://www.ihatestarwars.com)

- Fairly self-explanatory...

[http://www.zgeek.com/images/news/big\\_frickin\\_shark.jpg](http://www.zgeek.com/images/news/big_frickin_shark.jpg) -

Just in case you ever wanted to go swimming in the ocean again...20 feet long and just ate a 300lb seal.

<http://www.deanandnigel.co.uk/>

- If you feel you stick out like a sore thumb...

[www.amihotornot.com](http://www.amihotornot.com)

- Hours of fun, and very addictive!

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# More on the ABA

Karen Whiting LLB III

with sincere apologies from the author for burdening students with more ABA Accreditation

Upon reading the two articles published recently in the *Quid Novi* on the issue of American Bar Association (ABA) Accreditation, I was somewhat surprised to note that both articles appear to suggest that all McGill need do is apply and ABA Accreditation would follow. Unfortunately, the issue is more complex, and I urge students at the Faculty to seek out a more balanced view than those recently presented in the *Quid Novi*. Interested students may read the requirements for ABA Accreditation on the ABA website:

<http://www.abanet.org/legaled/standards/standards.html>.

I am an LLB III student who will begin work in September 2001 at an American law firm, and I have benefited from McGill's reputation as a premier Canadian law school, and New York state's permissive bar admission criteria. However, I do not believe that McGill should seek ABA Accreditation. I have concerns about some of the standards for ABA approval of law schools, particularly those relating to ABA approval of both curriculum and curriculum change, and I wonder about the question of reciprocity given the fact that most Canadian provincial bars do not allow graduates of American law schools to write their provincial bar immediately upon graduation. Moreover, upon surveying the list of accredited law schools, it is interesting to note that the only non-American ABA-approved law schools are situated in Puerto Rico, an American protectorate.

Rather than expending resources on instruction in the Model Rules of Professional Conduct of the American Bar Association (one of the ABA Standards for Approval of Law Schools), I feel that the Faculty's efforts are better spent continuing to develop and diversify our course offerings in Canadian law, improving our library resources, and ensuring that our Faculty is physically accessible to all students. Maintaining McGill's reputation as an exceptional Canadian law faculty is an important goal, one which benefits all students - those seeking to practice here or abroad.

In my capacity as Career Placement Office Coordinator, I have found that McGill students are not in any way restricted in their access to interesting employment opportunities in a variety of jurisdictions, contrary to Ms. Akerman's contention. Indeed, with respect to recruitment by law firms, in addition to the New York and Boston On-Campus interview process, students may participate in the Toronto On-Campus Interview Day, the East-West recruitment process (firms from British Columbia, Alberta, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland), and the Quebec and Ontario Careers Days. This list of employment opportunities is limited to on-campus recruitment activities, and does not include the Public Service recruitment process for government positions, other provincial articling opportunities, or internships with human rights or other law-related organizations.

While this list may be limited in terms of international opportunities for legal practice, law is not a portable profession, but a jurisdiction-specific profession. Students interested in international employment opportunities may find that there are more options for law-related work which does not require Bar membership (including work in international inter-governmental or non-governmental organizations), rather than actual formal legal practice in foreign jurisdictions. While the European continent has made steps toward greater internal movement of lawyers, there are still barriers to European practice by foreign lawyers. For those students interested in European practice, I invite you to visit the Career Placement Office to peruse a survey of European Bar Admission Requirements, kindly compiled by a volunteer law student. Students interested in volunteering to research other international projects are always welcome!

Students entering McGill should be aware of the territorial limitations on formal legal practice, and the comparative freedom in terms of law-related opportunities (i.e. employment opportunities where candidates are not required to be a member of the jurisdiction's Bar). The McGill Admissions package informs students that they are not eligible to practice



in all American states, and that it is their responsibility to ensure that they are eligible to practice in their chosen jurisdiction. As such, the Career Placement Office has compiled a list of American state bar admission requirements, and is available to answer questions from current and prospective law students. Those with their hearts set on practice in Oklahoma would be well advised to inform themselves of the requirements for becoming admitted to the state bar.

In addition to seeking ABA Accreditation, there are a number of other strategies which might be considered by students interested in pursuing employment in states other than those who currently permit graduates of Canadian law schools to write their state bar exam. These include:

- petitioning state bars to change their admission requirements;
- pursuing a law degree (J.D.) at an ABA-approved law school (or the required number of course hours at an ABA-approved law school);
- obtaining a graduate law degree (LL.M.) from an ABA-approved school (in certain states);
- practicing in an American state which allows foreign law school graduates to take the bar exam, and then applying for a license to practice in the desired state (in certain states);
- practicing in a Canadian province, and then applying for a license to practice in the desired state (in certain states).

While pursuing legal education in the United States is a costly undertaking, this is the unfortunate burden of students enrolled in the American legal education system. While Canadian law students may also accumulate significant debt loads, it is not unusual for American law students to leave law school with debt loads upwards of US\$ 100,000. There are, however, debt forgiveness programs for those graduates who work for non-profit or Legal Aid organizations upon graduation. Indeed, this may be another option for those students wishing to practice in American jurisdictions that do not currently admit graduates of Canadian law schools. ABA Accreditation is not the only option available in assisting graduates of McGill to obtain employment in foreign jurisdictions. While it is unfortunate that our student representatives on the ABA Accreditation committee have not yet provided us with a more detailed report of the purpose and findings of the committee, I am certain that such a report will be forthcoming.

## submit to the *Quid*

**Next Week:**

**who was the best  
lawyer ever?**

**Keanu?  
Dustin?  
Brad?  
Miranda Hobbs?**



# CAREER & PLACEMENT

## 1) EAST-WEST RECRUITMENT PROCESS

### List of firm representatives and the locations for interviews

The CPO has not received the information for McLeod & Company (they may be [http://www.evoice.com/partners/1stup/signup/signup\\_homeAns.asp](http://www.evoice.com/partners/1stup/signup/signup_homeAns.asp) interviewing at the Four Seasons Hotel). We will pass the information along when we receive it. If students need maps, the toronto.com website is very useful.

The CPO is providing name tags for students who will be attending the reception. Please come and pick it up at the CPO before Wed. Nov. 15, noon.

### Calgary

#### **Bennett Jones**

Ms. Maureen Killoran

Mr. Will Osler

Ms. Beth Riley

Ms. Laurie Goldbach

Ms. Deanne DeLeeuw

Mr. Doug Foster

Interviews to be conducted at the Toronto Office of Bennett Jones

1 First Canadian Place

100 King Street West

Suite 3400

Toronto, Ontario

M5X 1A4

Tel.: 416-777-4831

#### **Blake, Cassels & Graydon**

Mr David Tupper

Mr Mark Morrison

Mr Bryan Duguid

Interviews to be conducted at the Toronto Office of Blake, Cassels & Graydon

Commerce Court West

199 Bay Street, Suite 2800

Toronto, Ontario

M5L 1A9

Tel.: 416-863-4303

#### **Burnet, Duckworth & Palmer**

Mr Jeff Sharpe

Mr Jeff Lawson

Ms Kathy Pybus

Ms Gina Ross

Interviews will be conducted at the Toronto Hilton

145 Richmond Street West

Toronto, ON

416-869-3456

#### **Donahue Ernst & Young**

Mr. Sean Korney

Mr. Derek Flaman

Interviews will be conducted at the Toronto office of Donahue Ernst & Young

Ernst & Young Tower, Toronto-Dominion Centre

222 Bay Street

Suite 2900

Toronto, Ontario

M5K 1H6

Tel: 416-943-5327

#### **Fraser Milner Casgrain**

Ms Tammy Coates

Ms Barb Johnston

Mr Alex Ross

Interviews will be conducted at the Toronto office of Fraser Milner Casgrain

1 First Canadian Place

100 King Street West

Suite 4100

Toronto, Ontario

M5X 1B2

Tel.: 416-863-4511

#### **McLeod Dixon**

Mr Steven Leidl

Ms Bernette Ho

Interviews will be conducted at the Toronto offices of McLeod Dixon

BCE Place, Canada Trust Tower

161 Bay Street

Suite 3900

Toronto, Ontario

M5J 2S1

Tel.: 416-360-8511

#### **McCarthy Tétrault**

Mr James Lord

Mr Robert Hanf

Interviews will be conducted at the Toronto office of McCarthy Tétrault

TD Bank Tower, Toronto-Dominion Centre

66 Wellington Street West

Suite 4700

Toronto, Ontario

Tel.: 416-601-7568

#### **McLeod & Company**

Mr Robin G. Lokhorst

#### **Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP**

Ms Alyson Goldman

Mr Andrew Little

Interviews will be conducted at the Toronto office of Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP

1 First Canadian Place

100 King Street West

66th Floor

Toronto, Ontario

M5X 1B8

Tel.: 416-862-6527

Stikeman, Elliott

Mr Greg Plater

Mr Brad Grant

Interviews will be conducted at the Toronto office of Stikeman, Elliott

Commerce Court West

199 Bay Street

53rd Floor

Toronto, Ontario

M5L 1B9

Tel.: 416-869-5500

### East Coast

#### **Patterson Palmer Hunt Murphy**

Interviews will be conducted in the Bora Laskin Library

University of Toronto

Faculty of Law

Flavelle House

78 Queen's Park Circle

Toronto, Ontario

Room 3037

#### **Stewart McKelvy Stirling Scales**

Mr Colm St. R. Seviour

Mr Mark Bursey

Ms Barbara Smith

Ms Marie-Claude Belanger Richard

Interviews will be conducted at the Bora Laskin

University of Toronto

Faculty of Law

Flavelle House

78 Queen's Park Circle

Toronto, Ontario

M5S 2C5

Rooms 3034 & 3035

### Vancouver

#### **Alexander Holburn Beaudin & Lang**

Ms Eileen Vanderburgh

Mr Peter Snell

Interviews will be conducted at the Metropolitan Hotel

108 Chestnut Street (South off of Dundas Street behind City Hall)

Toronto, ON

416-964-2566

#### **Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP**

Mr Jeffrey Merrick

Mr Greg Umbach

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199 Bay Street, Suite 2800

Toronto, Ontario

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Tel.: 416-863-4303

**Borden Ladner Gervais LLP**



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Mr Douglas G. Copland  
Ms Barb Smith  
Mr Michael Skene  
Mr Chris O' Connor

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of Borden Ladner Gervais LLP  
Scotia Plaza  
40 King Street West  
Toronto, ON  
M5H 3Y4  
Tel.: 416-367-6133

## **Bull, Housser & Tupper**

Mr Brian Taylor  
Ms Judith Downes  
Interviews will be conducted at the Toronto office  
of McMillan Binch  
200 Bay Street  
Suite 3800  
Royal Bank Plaza, South Tower  
Toronto, ON  
M5J 2J7  
416-865-7947

## **Davis & Company**

Ms Sarah Pike  
Mr Mike Stephens  
Interviews will be conducted at the Toronto office  
of Davis & Company  
1 First Canadian Place  
Suite 5300  
100 King Street West  
Toronto, ON  
M5X 1E2  
Tel.: 416-365-6188

## **Farris, Vaughan, Wills & Murphy**

Mr Brock Rowland  
Ms Lisa Warren  
Interviews will be conducted in the Toronto office  
of Cambridge Shopping Centres Limited  
95 Wellington Street West  
6th Floor  
Toronto, ON  
416-369-1200

## **Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP**

Mr Bruce R. Grist  
Interviews will be conducted in the Toronto office  
of Fasken Martineau DuMoulin  
Suite 4200 TD Bank Tower  
Toronto-Dominion Centre  
66 Wellington Street West  
Toronto, ON  
M5K 1N6  
Tel.: 416-868-3468

## **Lawson Lundell**

Mr Craig Ferris  
Mr John Christian  
Mr Michael Low  
Interviews will be conducted at the Toronto office

of Torys  
79 Wellington Street West  
TD Centre  
Maritime Life Tower  
Suite 3000  
Toronto, ON  
M5K 1N2  
416-865-7504

## **McCarthy Tétrault**

Robin M. Sirett  
Interviews will be conducted at the Toronto office  
of McCarthy Tétrault  
TD Bank Tower, Toronto-Dominion Centre  
66 Wellington Street West  
Suite 4700  
Toronto, Ontario  
Tel.: 416-601-7568

## **Stikeman, Elliott**

Mr Richard J. Jackson  
Mr Ross A. MacDonald  
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Tel.: 416-869-5500

## **2) CLERKSHIPS**

We received information on the following  
clerkships. **Check the boards** for more details:

- Superior Court of Justice \*\*
- Superior Court of Justice, Divisional Court
- Court of Queen's Bench and Court of Appeal of Alberta
- Federal Court of Canada\*\*
- British Columbia Judicial Law Clerk Program
- Court of Appeal of New Brunswick
- Court of Appeal for Ontario\*\*

\*\* We have brochures available for you at the CPO

## **3) FOR FIRST YEAR STUDENTS ONLY!**

**Here is a few suggestions for this summer:**

- **East-West summer recruitment:** some Calgary firms are looking for first year summer students (the process is about to end...but you can try on your own!)
- **Federal Student Work Experience Program (FSWEP),** Code 005 - Program for Students in Law - Department of Justice, <http://jobs.gc.ca>
- **Toronto 1st year students summer recruitment:** Application deadline: Friday,

January 26th, 2001 (the CPO will inform you in January)

- **Summer internships** (McGill Human Rights Internships, Self-organized Human Rights Internships, Fraser Institute Internships - paid, Canadian Embassy in Washington - not paid)
- **Research assistants** for Faculty professors: Generally posted in March or April
- **McGill CAPS for summer positions:** <http://www.mcgill.ca/stuserv/caps>
- **Networking** in your previous area of specialization for law-related positions
- **Law Clinic (Justinfo) / Advocacy / Pro Bono** - ideal if you take summer courses!
- **Check the Boards:** Part-time work may turn into a summer job!
- No official Montreal or US Law Firms Summer recruitment: students may contact firms on an individual basis - there is nothing to lose!

## **Information session for first year students:**

You will find out about summer recruitment and SO MUCH MORE!

Date: Wed. Nov. 15th

Time: 12:30

Place: Moot Court

Prepare your questions!

## **4) PUBLICATIONS**

**Great news!** The new edition of the **LEGAL EMPLOYMENT CAREER HANDBOOK** will be available as of Wed. Nov. 15. On sale at the CPO. Cost: \$10

Thanks to Karen Shaw, the new Edition of the **ASIA LAW: Profiles 2001** is available at the CPO for consultation. Congratulations Karen!

**5) LSUC** forms are expected any day now. They will be available at OUS. Christine will let you know as soon as they come in. Deadline to hand in your applications : Nov. 30th, 2000.

## **6) RELÂCHE LA SEMAINE PROCHAINE:**

Le **Newsletter** fera relâche la semaine prochaine (16 novembre) puisque je serai à Toronto pour le recrutement Est-Ouest. S'il y avait des nouvelles importantes, je vous contacterai par courriel...mais pour l'instant, rien de majeur n'est prévu à l'horaire.

Je serai partie entre le 15 (après la session d'information) et le 20 novembre. Karen Whiting assurera la permanence au Service jeudi le 16 novembre entre 10h00 et 14h00. Elle se fera un plaisir de vous aider en mon absence.

Je vous souhaite donc un bon deux semaines!

Brigitte St-Louis, 7 novembre, 2000



## APPEL DES CANDIDATURES / CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

### STAGES EN DROITS DE LA PERSONNE SUMMER HUMAN RIGHTS INTERNSHIPS

Applications are now welcome for the 2001 Summer Human Rights Internships Programme of the Faculty of Law, McGill University. Five internships are currently being arranged and funded by the Faculty. Efforts are underway so that a sixth internship in Cambodia would be arranged prior to the completion of the selection process. The partner organizations are:

- Σ Law & Society Trust, Colombo, Sri Lanka
- Σ Human Rights Commission of Pakistan, Lahore, Pakistan
- Σ Rights and Democracy, Montreal, Canada
- Σ Canadian Human Rights Foundation, Montreal, Canada
- Σ Centre de gestion des conflits, Butare, Rwanda
- Σ Cambodian League for the Promotion and Defense of Human Rights, Phnom Penh, Cambodia

The summer internship is part of the requirements of the newly created 6-credit course on *International Human Rights Internships* (496-020).

Students who are selected for the overseas internships are expected to help with the fund-raising necessary to cover the living costs of the internship above the \$500 stipend. Depending on the internship, this should translate into the need to raise approximately \$1000 - \$1500. Travel expenses are covered by the Faculty. Interns will also be called upon to follow up their placement by publicising their experience and encouraging others to get involved. The internships run for 12 weeks in the summer.

Candidates will be chosen on the basis of superior writing skills, ability to work in a difficult environment, initiative, independence and demonstrated interest in international human rights. For the internships in Rwanda and the Canadian Human Rights Foundation in Montreal, proficiency in French is required.

Les demandes, comprenant un curriculum vitae et une lettre justifiant votre intérêt pour un stage en droits de la personne, **doivent être déposées au Bureau des études de premier cycle (OUS) au plus tard le MARDI 21 NOVEMBRE • 16H00**. Please do not submit applications by e-mail or to any other place besides the OUS. Les candidats sont invités à mentionner dans leur lettre tout intérêt pour un stage spécifique, sur la base de la location géographique du stage ou du domaine d'activités de l'ONG. **Si nécessaire, des entrevues auront lieu entre le 27 Novembre entre 14h00 et 18h00**. Before applying, please ensure that you have read the information sheet on the human rights internships, which includes more information on the course requirements and the organisations. To request this information, or for any clarifications, please e-mail [khalfaa@lsa.lan.mcgill.ca](mailto:khalfaa@lsa.lan.mcgill.ca)